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MEXICO CITY FOR REGIONAL FISHERIES ATTACHE

E.O.11652: N/A
TAGS: EFIS, IATTC, CS
SUBJECT: ANNUAL MEETING OF INTER-AMERICAN TUNA COMM-
MISSION (IATTC)

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FONMIN NOTE DATED AUGUST 3RD
EXTENDING INVITATION TO MEMBERS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION FOR A MEETING TO TAKE PLACE IN
SAN JOSE FROM SEPTEMBER 19 TO THE 28TH. ACCORDING TO
THE NOTE, "NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LAW OF THE SEA HAVE
MADE EVIDENT, DURING THE LAST THREE MEETINGS OF THE IATTC,
THE NEED TO NEGOTIATE A NEW INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENT ...
TO REGULATE THE CATCH OF TUNA, BOTH WITHIN AND BEYOND THE
EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONES ..." SPANISH TEXT BEING TRANS-
MITTED SEPTEL.

2. EMBOFF QUERIED EDUARDO BRAVO, MINAG FISHERIES OFFICIAL,
ABOUT MORE SPECIFIC DEFINITION OF THE PURPOSE OF THE
MEETING. BRAVO STATED THAT HE COULD NOT GO BEYOND
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TEXT OF MESSAGE, BUT SAID THAT NOTE HAD BEEN ISSUED
SIMULTANEOUSLY BY BOTH COSTA RICAN AND MEXICAN GOVERN-
MENT AND THAT GOM MIGHT BE BETTER SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

3. EMBOFF ALSO QUERIED FONMIN OFFICIAL AS TO SPECIFICS
OF MEETING AND WAS INFORMED THAT COSTA RICA AND MEXICO
WOULD SUBMIT JOINT PROPOSAL AT SEPTEMBER MEETING TO

MODIFY EXISTING IATTC AGREEMENT. FONMIN OFFICIAL STATED THAT MEXICAN OFFICIAL WOULD BE IN SAN JOSE WEEK OF AUGUST 15 TO 19 FOR DRAFTING OF PROPOSAL AND IT WAS UNLIKELY THAT PROPOSAL WOULD BE CURCULATED PRIOR TO MEETING. EMBOFF NEVERTHELESS EXPRESSED HOPE THAT U.S. DELEGATION, THROUGH EMBASSY, MIGHT BE GIVEN COPY OF PROPOSAL, EVEN IF IN DRAFT FORM, PRIOR TO MEETING.

4. AT AUGUST 10 PRESS CONFERENCE, FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO STATED THAT OBJECTIVE FOR FORTHCOMING MEETING WAS TO NEGOTIATE A NEW AGREEMENT, ONE WHICH HAS A "DIFFERENT CONCEPT FOR COASTAL STATES." FACIO ALSO POINTED OUT THAT COSTA RICA HAS THE MOST TUNA OF ANY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD (SIC) BUT HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY BENEFITS FROM IT.

5. COMMENT: GOCR PARTICIPATION IN THIS JOINT INITIATIVE COMES ON HEELS OF RECENT VISIT TO SAN DIEGO BY FONMIN FACIO TO MEET WITH AMERICAN TUNA FIRMS (SEE SAN JOSE 3246) AND IS INDICATIVE OF GOCR INTEREST IN DEVELOPING LOCAL FISHING INDUSTRY. GIVEN COMPLEXITY OF ISSUES INVOLVED, HOWEVER, IT APPEARS THAT GOCR WILL RELY HEAVILY ON MEXICAN EXPERTISE IN FORMULATION OF JOINT INITIATIVE.

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